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Milk Production Traits in Cattle

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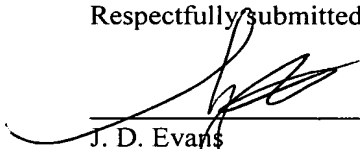
Sir:

Our records indicate that we have not received any further correspondence in reference to the above-identified application since November 1, 2004 when we received the Updated Filing Receipt. Please advise the undersigned of the status of the application.

It would be appreciated if the undersigned were telephoned in the event there are any questions related to this Request or the application in general.

Respectfully submitted,

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